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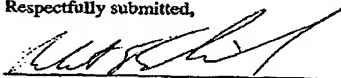
This is in timely response, with a two-month extension of time, hereby requested, to the Office Action mailed June 12, 2003, wherein the Examiner:

1. Renumbered the claims 1-22 as claims 15-36, respectively.
2. Objected to claims 15 and 17-19, finding that the term "speed exceeding supersonic speed," and exemplary terms, improper.
3. Rejected claims 28 and 30 under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as anticipated by Wessel et al, U.S. Patent No. 3,891,730.

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been met, and that the application is in condition for allowance. Favorable treatment of this application at an early date is requested. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees associated with this communication, including extension fees for a two-month extension of time to respond to the Office action, hereby requested, to our Deposit Account No. 50-0305. The Examiner is encouraged to call Robert J. Schneider at the direct number (312) 845-3919 with any questions that arise in connection with this application.

Respectfully submitted,

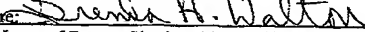
  
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